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## Clarence Arthur. Vandiveer, papers. .5 l.f.

**Abstract:** Clarence A. Vandiveer (1881-1971), was an amateur historian who published *Fur Trade and Early Western Exploration* in 1929. His manuscript, *The Old Oregon Trail*, was never published. He also wrote numerous articles for periodicals and journals.

**Biography:** Clarence Vandiveer was born in Miamisburg, OH in 1881. As a young man he moved to Florida, where he engaged in horticultural research and was a citrus grower. He had a life-long interest in history, particularly Western history and in 1929 the Arthur H. Clark Company published his *Fur Trade and Early Western Exploration*. He continued his research and about 1931 he submitted his manuscript, "*The Old Oregon Trail*," to Arthur H. Clark Company in Cleveland. It was not published. Vandiveer also published numerous articles in periodicals and journals. He died in Plant City, FL in 1971.

**Scope and content:** The collection consists of the complete original typescript, with manuscript notations and corrections, for a book, "*The Old Oregon Trail*," which Vandiveer submitted to Arthur H. Clark Co., publishers in Cleveland, Ohio about 1931. The book was never published. Text is footnoted, but footnotes are lacking.

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